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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON
EXPENDITURES IN THE EXECUTIVE
DEPARTMENTS

October 26, 1950

Rear Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter Director, Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C.

Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

The Congress, in conformance with recommendations of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, enacted during the 81st Congress Public Law No. 110, to improve administration of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Under Senate Rule XXV (Public Law No. 601, 79th Congress), this Committee is vested with the authority to handle all legislation relating to "reorganizations in the Executive Branch of the Government", and is also vested with the specific duty of "evaluating the effects of laws enacted to reorganize the Legislative and Executive Branches of the Government". The Committee, therefore, has the responsibility of ascertaining what administrative actions have been taken to effectuate the above legislation.

In conformity therewith, the Committee requests complete information as to (a) steps which have been taken to carry out the above cited Act; (b) administrative deficiencies eliminated or improvements which have been made in the organization and management of your Agency; and (c) estimates of savings that may have been realized or that may be expected as a result of such legislative action.

As you can see from the enclosed report (Senate Report Mo. 2581), there were in addition a number of general legislative actions taken by the Slst Congress, such as passage of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, and amendments thereto (Public Laws Nos. 152 and 754), and the Budget and Accounting Procedures Act of 1950 (Public Law Mo. 784), which are designed to promote more economy and efficiency in the Executive Branch. The Committee will appreciate it, therefore, if you will also supply complete information relative to how these, and any other basic reorganization acts or plans approved by the Slst Congress, have affected your agency.

Inassuch as the Committee is desirous of utilizing this information to submit a report to the Senate at the beginning of the first session of the 82nd Congress, it will be appreciated if you will give the matter your early attention and let us have your response on or before December 1, 1950.

Sincerely yours.

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